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Title: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR DECODING AND TRACE BACK OF  
CONVOLUTION CODES USING THE VITERBI ALGORITHM

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**AMENDMENT**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

This communication is filed in response to the Office Action dated October 18, 2004 issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified Application. A response to the October 18, 2004 Office Action is due January 18, 2005. Accordingly, this communication is being timely filed.

Kindly amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 12 of this paper.